

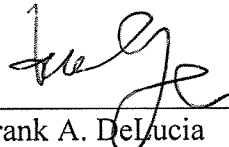
REMARKS

Claims 18-21 and 23-26 are pending. The non-elected Claims 22 and 27 pending prior hereto have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter.

Applicants respectfully request favorable consideration on the merits and early passage to issue of the elected claims.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Frank A. DeLucia', is written over a horizontal line.

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